

REMARKS

A petition for a two month extension of time has today been filed as a separate paper and a copy is attached hereto.

The undersigned wishes to thank the examiner for this time and courtesy in the telephone interview of January 12, 2005. The telephone interview was requested for the purpose of discussing the applicability of MPEP § 2173.05(i) to the issue of new matter, also raised as an issue under the first paragraph of 35 USC 112 in the outstanding final rejection. The applicability of MPEP § 2173.05(i) was discussed in the first paragraph at page 6 of applicant's previous response filed August 2, 2004. As stated in the examiner's "Interview Summary" mailed January 14, 2005, the examiner took the position that MPEP § 2173.05 did not apply to the facts here because:

The specification needs to set forth both possible embodiments, that being the bellows and non-bellows forms, of the bladder in order to provide support in the specification for the claim language. The drawings are not considered to show a non-bellows embodiment for the instant apparatus but only for the prior art... Such is considered new matter when all drawings except prior art drawing Fig. 1 show some sort of undulation in the bladder wall which would be considered showing a bellows form of bladder only, especially when Fig. 2 shows undulated walls with both ends of the bladder in contact with the end walls of the outer tank while the bladder is at rest.

In view of the above position taken by the examiner, by the present amendment, the language "non-accordion" has been substituted for "non-bellows." In this connection it is important to note that "accordion shape" is equated with what applicant means by

“bellows” in paragraphs [0011] and [0035]. Further, non-accordion is used in the claim to modify “bag” which is defined by Webster’s New Collegiate Dictionary (Attachment A) and by Webster’s New International Dictionary (Attachment B) as “creased or hinged so as to fold like an accordion.” The bladder bags shown in the embodiments of Figs. 2, 3, 5 and 6 of applicant’s drawings are neither creased nor hinged.

In telephone conversation the examiner also noted that he could find no teaching in the specification where both the “bellows” (accordion shape) embodiments and the bladder bag embodiments are listed as alternatives. It is respectfully submitted that the MPEP guidelines for support for a negative embodiment are not so stringent. MPEP § 2173.05(i), entitled “Negative Limitations”, states: “If alternative elements are positively recited in the specification they may be explicitly excluded in the claims.” In this connection note paragraph [0032] where the “bellows” embodiment of Figs. 4(A) and 4(B) is described as “another alternative embodiment of the present invention.” Also note paragraph [0033] where Figs. 5 and 6 are referred to as showing the wall of the bladder used in the embodiments of Figs. 2 and 3 and Fig. 7 is characterized as showing the wall structure of the bladder of the embodiments of Figs. 4(A) and 4(B). Of course, the Brief Description of the Drawings also describes the embodiments of Figs. 2, 3, 4(A) and 4(B) as different preferred embodiments. It is respectfully submitted that those skilled in the art, or even a casual unskilled observer, would recognize that applicant’s specification is disclosing both accordion shaped and non-accordion shaped embodiments of the bladder as alternatives.

In telephone conversation the examiner also indicated that, in his view, “non-pleated” might be a more accurate description of the embodiments of Figs. 2 and 3 of applicant’s drawings. If the examiner remains of the view that “non-pleated” is a more accurate and precise term, he is hereby authorized to substitute it for the language “non-accordion.”

It is respectfully submitted that the present amendment and the foregoing argument constitutes a full answer to the examiner’s objection to the specification under 35 USC 132 and to the rejection of claims under the first paragraph of 35 USC 112 as failing to comply with the written description requirement.

The rejections for obviousness over Drumm in view of Weber and Taylor are respectfully traversed. At page 5 of the office action the examiner relies upon “Taylor” for disclosure of a “non-bellows bag”. At the outset, it should be noted that there is no “Taylor” reference in either the prior art newly cited in the office action of September 24, 2004 or in the art previously made of record. However, at the bottom of page 3 of the office action the examiner characterizes the rejection as based in part on “Taylor (3,526,580)”. Accordingly, in the remarks which follow, it will be assumed that the examiner’s reference to “Taylor” was intended to be a reference to Webb - U.S. 3,526,580.

In any event, it is respectfully submitted that the combination of the disclosures of Drumm and Webb, in the manner adopted by the examiner, is not *prima facie* obvious.

Drumm relates to a fluid pressure accumulator (column 1, lines 5-19), not a chemical storage tank. On the other hand, Webb relates to storage tanks for containing “extremely reactive chemicals” (column 2, lines 1 and 2) such as “liquid propellants for the rocket motors of missiles” (column 2, lines 24-29). The apparatus of Webb is not intended to be used as an accumulator or as a pressure storage device.

At page 5 of the office action the examiner writes:

It would have been obvious to one skilled in the art to modify the bladder in Drumm to be formed as a non-bellows bag provided with a metal and plastic layer as such is known equivalent type of bladder used in accumulators as suggested by Taylor where such would provide for a cheaper and simpler bladder to that of the accordion pleated metal only bladder of Drumm.

There are at least several problems with the examiner’s position. Firstly, Webb nowhere suggests that the membrane of his storage apparatus is equivalent to a bladder used in a pressure accumulator of the type disclosed by Drumm or of any other type. Secondly, the “cheaper and simpler” concept appears to be a concept which exists only in the examiner’s mind, a concept which is not necessarily true and a concept which is totally unsupported by the reference teachings.

The rejection of claims 14, 16, 18 and 20 for obviousness with the additional citation of Miller is respectfully traversed because Miller in no way cures the impropriety of the combination of Drumm and Webb noted above.

The rejections of claims 11 and 19 for obviousness are also traversed for the reason that the basic combination of Drumm and Webb is improper for the reasons stated above. The rejection of claim 19 is further traversed for the reasons that follow.

At page 9 of the office action the examiner writes:

It would have been obvious to one skilled in the art to modify the location of the spring in Drumm as modified with the spring that surrounds the valve as suggested by Legrand to insure that the valve is provided with the right amount of force to properly control the shut-off of fluid at a specific pressure and such is merely a choice of mechanical expedience to locate the spring outside of the valve rather than below as such would also decrease the chance that the valve would actuate at an improper angle when the wider spring bottom would prevent this.

The examiner's attention is directed to the language of claim 11 which reads:

said coil spring, upon contact with said bladder, prevents said bladder from being extruded through said shut-off valve and preventing said bladder from contacting the shut-off valve until the volume of the fluid within said accumulator falls to said predetermined low value.

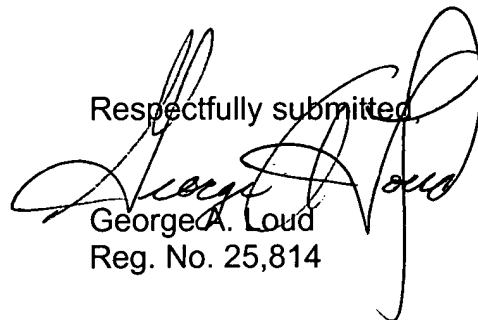
As the examiner noted in telephone conversation, claim 11 reads on spring 38 of Fig. 3 rather than spring 26 of Fig. 2. Thus, while the spring 31 of Legrand might be regarded as relevant to the embodiment of Fig. 2 of applicant's drawings, it has no apparent relevance to the embodiment of Fig. 3 as defined by claim 11.

Note that the bladder in Legrand never touches valve 37 and is wholly incapable of being extruded therethrough. The valve 37 in Legrand is normally closed and is urged onto the seat by a spring (column 4, lines 55-57).

In applicant's invention, as defined by claims 11 and 19, the spring does not serve to "properly control the shut-off of fluid as specific pressure" as supposed by the examiner. Rather, the spring is selected to prevent the bladder from entering into the fixture around the valve, i.e., "from being extruded through said shut-off valve." In neither Drumm nor Legrand is the bellows bladder capable of being "extruded through said shut-off valve." If a spring element were to be located outside of the valve in a manner biasing the valve toward an open position "to insure that the valve is provided with the right amount of force to properly control the shut-off" as envisioned by the examiner's remarks, it would not be arranged in a manner "preventing said bladder from contacting the shut-off valve until....," quoting from claim 11.

In conclusion, it is respectfully requested that the examiner reconsider the rejections of record with a view toward allowance of the claims as amended.

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intended to give completeness or symmetry : COMPLEMENT **b**
: an accompanying situation or occurrence : CONCOMITANT
ac-com-pa-nist \ə-ˈkɑmp-(ə-)nəst/ **n** : one (as a pianist) who plays
an accompaniment
ac-com-pa-ny \ə-ˈkɑmp-(ə-)nē/ **vb** -nied; -ny-ing [ME *acompani-*
en, fr. MF *acompañier*, fr. *a-* (fr. *L ad-*) + *compa* companion,
fr. LL *compān*] **vt** 1 : to go with or attend as an associate or
companion 2 : to perform an accompaniment to or for 3 **a**
: to cause to be in association : add or join to <accompanied his
advice with a warning> **b** : to be in association with <the pictures
that ~ the text> **vi** : to perform an accompaniment
syn ACCOMPANY, ATTEND, ESCORT *shared meaning element* : to go
along with
ac-com-plate \ə-ˈkɑm-plēs, -ˈkɑm-/ **n** [alter. (fr. incorrect division
of a *complate*) of *complate*] : one associated with another esp. in
wrongdoing
ac-com-plish \ə-ˈkɑm-plish, -ˈkɑm-/ **v** [ME *accomplish*, fr. MF
acompliss, stem of *acomplir*, fr. (assumed) VL *accomplere*, fr. *L ad-*
+ *complere* to fill up — more at COMPLETE] 1 : to bring to a
successful conclusion : carry to completion <when they had ~ed
their journey> 2 : to hope to ~ much more today 3 : to attain to
(a measure of time or distance) : COVER <at that rate will ~ only
half the distance> 3 *archaic* **a** : to equip thoroughly **b** : PER-
FORM **syn** see PERFORM — **ac-com-plish-able** \ə-ˈbəl/ **adj** —
ac-com-plish-er **n**
ac-com-plished **adj** 1 : COMPLETED, EFFECTED <an ~ fact> 2 **a**
: complete in acquisitions as the result of practice or training <an
~ dancer> **b** : having many social accomplishments
ac-com-plish-ment \ə-ˈkɑm-plish-mənt, -ˈkɑm-/ **n** 1 : the act of
accomplishing : COMPLETION 2 : something accomplished
ACHIEVEMENT 3 **a** : a quality or ability equipping one for society
b : a special skill or ability acquired by training or practice
ac-cord \ə-ˈkɔrd/ **vb** [ME *accorden*, fr. OF *acorder*, fr.
(assumed) VL *accordare*, fr. *L ad-* + *cord*, *cor* heart — more at
HEART] **vt** 1 : to bring into agreement : RECONCILE 2 **a** : to
grant as suitable or proper **b** : to allow as a concession 3 : to
confer something on as an award 4 : to assign as a portion 5 **vi**
1 *archaic* : to arrive at an agreement 2 *obs* : to give consent 3
: to exhibit perfect fitness in a relationship or association : adjust
or fit harmoniously **syn** 1 see AGREE *ant* conflict 2 see GRANT *ant*
withhold
accord **n** [ME, fr. OF *acort*, fr. *acorder*] 1 **a** : AGREEMENT,
CONFORMITY <acted in ~ with the company's policy> **b** : a
formal act of agreement : TREATY 2 : balanced interrelationship
HARMONY 3 *obs* : ASSENT 4 : voluntary or spontaneous im-
pulse to act <gave generously of his own ~>
ac-cord-ance \ə-ˈkɔrd-əns/ **n** 1 : AGREEMENT, CONFORMITY <in
~ with a rule> 2 : the act of granting
ac-cord-ant \ə-ˈkɔrd-ənt/ **adj** 1 : CONSONANT, AGREEING 2 : HARMONI-
OUS, CORRESPONDENT — **ac-cord-ant-ly** **adv**
ac-cord-ing **as conj** 1 : in accord with the way in which 2 **a**
: depending on how **b** : depending on whether : IF
ac-cord-ing-ly \ə-ˈkɔrd-ɪŋ-lee/ **adv** 1 : in accordance : CORRE-
SPONDINGLY 2 : CONSEQUENTLY, SO
according to prep 1 : in conformity with 2 : as stated or
attested by 3 : depending on
ac-cord-ion \ə-ˈkɔrd-ən/ **n** [G *akkordion*, fr. *akkord*
chord, fr. F *accord*, fr. OF *acort*] : a portable keyboard
wind instrument in which the wind is forced past free reeds by
means of a hand-operated bellows — **ac-cord-ion-ist** \ə-ˈkɔrd-
ən-ɪst/ **n**
accordion **adj** : folding or
creased or hinged to fold like an
accordion <an ~ pleat> <an ~
door>
ac-cost \ə-ˈkɔst, -ˈkɑst/ **v** [MF
accoster, deriv. of *L ad-* + *costa*
rib, side — more at COAST]
: to approach and speak to of-
ten in a challenging or aggres-
sive way
ac-cou-che-ment \ə-ˈkʊsh-mənt, -ˈkʊsh-/ **n** [F] DELIVERING-IN : *esp*
PARTURITION
ac-cou-cheur \ə-ˈkʊ-shər/ **n** [F] : one that assists at a birth
<without President Truman as ~ there would have been no Israel
— B. C. Crum> *esp* OBSTETRICIAN
ac-count \ə-ˈkaʊnt/ **n** 1. *archaic* : RECKONING, COMPUTATION 2
a : a record of debit and credit entries chronologically posted to
a ledger, page to cover transactions involving a particular item or
a particular person or concern **b** : a statement of transactions
during a fiscal period 3 : a collection of items to be balanced —
usu. used in pl. 4 : a statement explaining one's conduct 5 **a**
: a periodically rendered calculation listing charged purchases and
credits <a grocery ~> **b** : the patronage involved in establishing
or maintaining an account : BUSINESS <glad to get that customer's
~> 6 **a** : VALUE, IMPORTANCE <a man of no ~> **b** : ESTEEM
JUDGMENT <he stands high in their ~> 7 : PROFIT, ADVANTAGE
<turned his wit to good ~> 8 **a** : a statement or exposition of
reasons, causes, grounds, or motives <no satisfactory ~ of these
phenomena> **b** : a reason for an action : BASIS <on all ~s you
must do it> **c** : careful thought : CONSIDERATION <left nothing
out of ~> 9 : a statement of facts or events : RELATION <a
newspaper ~> 10 : HEARSAY, REPORT — usu. used in pl. <by all
~s a rich man> 11 : a sum of money or its equivalent deposited
in the common cash of a bank and subject to withdrawal by the
depositor — on account of : for the sake of : by reason of
: because of — on no account : under no circumstances — on
one's own account 1 : on one's own behalf 2 : on one's own risk
3 : by oneself : on one's own



account **vb** [ME *accounten*, fr. MF *acompter*, fr. *a-* (fr. *L* *com-*
ptor to count) **vt** 1 : to probe into : ANALYZE 2 : to tell
as : CONSIDER <~s himself lucky> ~ **vi** 1 : to furnish a just
analysis or explanation — used with *for* 2 **a** : to be the
primary factor — used with *for* **b** : to bring about the
death, or destruction of something <~ed for two rabbits>
ac-count-able \ə-ˈkaʊnt-ə-bəl/ **adj** 1 : subject to give
account : ANSWERABLE 2 : capable of being accounted for
PLAINABLE — **ac-count-abil-ity** \ə-ˈkaʊnt-ə-bil-ə-tē/ **n** — **ac-count-able-ness**
\ə-ˈkaʊnt-ə-bəl-nəs/ **n** — **ac-count-ably**
adv
ac-coun-tan-cy \ə-ˈkaʊnt-n-ē/ **n** : the profession or prac-
tice of accounting
ac-coun-tant \ə-ˈkaʊnt-nt/ **n** 1 : one that gives an account
accountable 2 : one who is skilled in the practice of account-
ing who is in charge of public or private accounts — **ac-cou-**
ship \ə-ˈn(t)-ʃɪp/ **n**
account book **n** : a book in which accounts are kept
account executive **n** : a business executive (as in an advi-
sory agency) responsible for the management of a client's account
ac-count-ing \ə-ˈkaʊnt-ɪŋ/ **n** 1 : the system of recording
summarizing business and financial transactions in books
analyzing, verifying, and reporting the results; also : the pri-
mary procedures of accounting 2 **a** : practical application
accounting **b** : an instance of applying the principles and
methods of accounting
accounting machine **n** : a business machine that is key-
boarded or uses stored data (as punch cards) and that tabulates
subtotals, or totals
account payable **n**, **pl** accounts payable : the balance
owed by a debtor on a current account
account receivable **n**, **pl** accounts receivable : a balance
owed by a debtor on a current account
ac-cou-ter or **ac-cou-ter** \ə-ˈkʊt-ər/ **vt** -coutered; -couter-
ing or -couter-ing \ə-ˈkʊt-ər-ɪŋ, -ˈkʊt-ɪŋ/ [F *accou-*
trier, fr. *a-* + *couter* seam, fr. (assumed) VL *cou-*
trire, fr. *L consutus*, pp. of *consuere* to sew together, fr. *com-* +
seu — more at SEW] : to provide with equipment or furnish
: OUTFIT **syn** see FURNISH
ac-cou-ter-ment or **ac-cou-ter-ment** \ə-ˈkʊt-ər-mənt, -
mənt/ **n** 1 : the act of accoutering : the state of being acc-
outered 2 **a** : an article of equipment or dress esp. when used
accessory **b** : EQUIPMENT, TRappings, SPECIF : a soldier's out-
fit not including clothes and weapons — usu. used in pl.
identifying and often superficial characteristic
ac-cred-it \ə-ˈkred-ɪt/ **vt** [F *accréditer*, fr. *ad-* + *crédit* *cr*
: to consider or recognize as outstanding 2 : to give
authorization to or approval of : **a** : to provide with cred-
it *esp* : to send (an envoy) with letters of authorization
recognize or vouch for as conforming with a standard
recognize (an educational institution) as maintaining standards
qualify the graduates for admission to higher or more spe-
cialized institutions or for professional practice 3 : CREDIT **syn**
PROVE — **ac-cred-it-able** \ə-ˈbəl/ **adj** — **ac-cred-it-a-**
ble \ə-ˈbəl/ **n**
ac-crete \ə-ˈkri-ət/ **vb** **ac-cret-ed**; **ac-cret-ing** [back-form
from *accretion*] **vi** : to grow or become attached by accretion
: to cause to adhere or become attached : ACCUMULATE
ac-cre-tion \ə-ˈkre-shən/ **n** [L *accretion*, *accretio*, fr. *accr-*
ere of *accrescere* — more at ACCRUE] 1 : the process of grow-
ing or becoming attached : increase by external addition or accu-
mulation (as by adhesion of external parts or particles) **b** : the in-
crease or growth by the gradual or imperceptible action of natural fi-
res : a product of accretion : *esp* : an extraneous addition
grime 3 : coherence of separate particles : CONCRETION
ac-cre-tion-ary \ə-ˈkre-shən-er-ē/ **adj** — **ac-cre-tive** \ə-ˈkre-tiv/
ac-cru-al \ə-ˈkru-əl/ **n** 1 : the action or process of accu-
mulating : something that accrues or has accrued
ac-cru-e \ə-ˈkru-/ **vb** **ac-cru-ed**; **ac-cru-ing** [ME *accruen*,
fr. *accruere* increase, fr. *acrescere* to increase, fr. *L accrescere*
+ *cre-scere* to grow — more at CRESCENT] **vi** 1 : to ac-
cumulate as a legally enforceable claim 2 : to come by
increase or addition : arise as a growth or a result 3
periodically accumulated whether as an increase or a decre-
ase : COLLECT, ACCUMULATE — **ac-cru-able** \ə-ˈkru-ə-bəl/ **adj**
ac-cru-ment \ə-ˈkru-mənt/ **n**
acct *abbr* account; accountant
ac-cul-turate \ə-ˈkʌl-cha-rət/ **vt** -et-ed; -et-ing [back-
form from *acculturation*] : to change through acculturation
ac-cul-tur-a-tion \ə-ˈkʌl-cha-rə-shən/ **n** 1 : a process of
cultural borrowing between diverse peoples resulting in
blended patterns : *esp* : modifications in a primitive
resulting from contact with an advanced society 2 : the
beginning at infancy by which a human being acquires the
culture of his society — **ac-cul-tur-a-tion-al** \ə-ˈkʌl-cha-rə-
-shən-əl/ **adj**
ac-cul-tur-a-tive \ə-ˈkʌl-cha-rət-iv/ **adj** — **ac-cu-**
mu-late \ə-ˈkyū-myə-lāt/ **vb** -lat-ed; -lat-ing
cumulative, pp. of *accumulare*, fr. *ad-* + *cumulare* to he-
ap or pile up : AMA : fortune 2 : COLLECT, GATHER <a composer
award after another> ~ **vi** : to increase in quantity or
amount
ac-cu-mu-la-tion \ə-ˈkyū-myə-lā-shən/ **n** 1 : the action
process of accumulating : the state of being or having accum-
ulated : increase or growth by addition esp. when continuous or
persistent 3 : something that has accumulated or
accumulated
ac-cu-mu-la-tive \ə-ˈkyū-myə-lāt-iv, -lāt-/ **adj** 1 : cumu-
lative <an age of rapid and ~ change> 2 : tending or
leading to accumulation — **ac-cu-mu-la-tive-ly** **adv** — **ac-cu-**
mu-ness **n**
ac-cu-mu-la-tor \ə-ˈkyū-myə-lāt-ər/ **n** : one that accumu-
lates : SHOCK ABSORBER **b** Brit : STORAGE CELL, **c** : a part
of a computer where numbers are totaled or stored

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ac-com'pa-ni-er (ä-küm'pá-ni-ēr), *n.* One who or that which accompanies.

ac-com'pa-ni-ment (ä-küm'pá-ni-mēt), *n.* [F. *accompagnement*.] 1. That which accompanies; something that attends as a circumstance or is added to the principal thing to give it completeness or symmetry, or as an ornament.

2. *Music.* An instrumental part or parts designed to support, amplify, or complement a solo voice or instrument.

b A thorough bass and its indicated harmony.

ac-com'pa-ni-men'tal (mēn'tāl; -t'l), *adj.*

accompaniment figure. *Music.* A rhythmic, harmonic, or melodic pattern repeated or developed as accompaniment to a principal melody.

ac-com'pa-nist (ä-küm'pá-nist), *n.* One who accompanies; specif., a musician who plays an indispensable supporting part; esp., a pianist who plays the accompaniment of a song, instrumental solo, or the like.

ac-com'pa-ny (-nī), *v.*; **ac-com'pa-nied** (-nīd); **ac-com'pan-ying** (-nī-īng). [OF. *acompanier* (F. *acompanier*), fr. *a* to + *compain*, *compain*, companion, fr. (assumed) VL. *companion*. See COMPANION.] Transitive: 1. To cause to be in companionship or association with; to associate (oneself). *Obs.*

2. To cause to be attended by or as by a companion; as, he accompanied the advice with a warning.

3. To go with or attend as a companion or associate; to go along with; to consort with; with *by* or, formerly, *with*.

They are never alone that are accompanied with noble thoughts.

Sir F. Sidney.

Accompanied by two carts filled with wounded rebels. *Macaulay.*

4. To remain with as a companion; to cohabit with. *Obs.*

5. To occur in association with; attend; as, laughter accompanied with tears.

6. *Music.* To play or sing an accompaniment to or for.

Intransitive: 1. To associate; consort; keep company; specif., to cohabit with. *Obs.*

2. *Music.* To perform an accompaniment.

Syn. — Go with, wait upon, follow, convoy, conduct.

ACCOMPANY, ATTEND, ESCORT agree in the idea of going with someone, but differ in the implied relation between the parties to the action. **ACCOMPANY** implies companionship and (usually) equality of station. **ATTEND**, the act of waiting upon one (often in a subordinate capacity) with the purpose of serving him if necessary; **ESCORT**, attendance with a view to affording protection or as a mark of courtesy or honor; as, to accompany a friend, to attend a visiting dignitary, to escort a lady. Cf. COMPANION.

I will merrily accompany you home. *Shak.*

Caesar through Syria. *Shak.*

Intends his journey. . . I must attend on Caesar. *Shak.*

He was to have gone for his betrothed at dusk, and to have escorted her home. *Poe.*

Ant. — Desert, leave. See ABANDON.

accompanying fire. *Mil.* Artillery fire accompanying an infantry advance, as a rolling barrage.

ac-com'pa-ny-ist (ä-küm'pá-ni-ist), *n.* An accompanist.

ac-com'pl-e-tive (ä-küm'plē-tiv), *adj.* [L. *ad* to + *com-ple-*, *completum*, to fill up.] Tending to accomplish. *R.*

ac-com'pl-ice (ä-küm'plis), *n.* [*ac-* (prob. fr. the article *a*) + *com-ple-*, *completum*, to fill up.] 1. An associate in guilt, specif., in the commission of a crime; a participant in an offense, whether a principal or an accessory; — used with *of* or *with* before the person; with *in*, sometimes *of*, formerly *to*, before the crime. "And thou, the cursed accomplice of his treason." *Johnson.*

2. A co-operator; associate.

Syn. — Accessory, ally, assistant, associate, confederate.

See ABETTOR. **Ant.** — See OPPONENT, ENEMY.

ac-com'pl-i-city (ä-küm'plis-ti), *n.* Complicity. *Rare.*

ac-com'pl-ish (ä-küm'plish), *v.*; **-ISHED** (-plish); **-ISH-ing**. [ME. *acomplissen*, *acomplisen*, fr. OF. *acomplir* (F. *accomplir*), fr. L. *ad* to + *com-ple-*, *completum*, to fill up.] Transitive: 1. To bring to an issue of full success; to effect; perform; to execute fully; fulfill; as, to accomplish an object, a promise.

2. To attain to or cover in traversing, as time or distance; to bring to completeness; as, to accomplish seventy years.

3. To equip or furnish thoroughly; also, to complete in acquisitions; to render accomplished. *Shak.*

The armorers accomplish the knights. *Shak.*

4. To attain the possession of; compass; achieve. *Shak.*

Intransitive: To effect an end or aim; achieve. *Obs.*

Syn. — Do, achieve, carry out, realize, attain, execute, compass, work, manage, contrive, negotiate, win, engineer, consummate, perfect, equip, furnish. See EFFECT.

ac-com'pl-ish-ed (-plish), *adj.* 1. Completed; effected; established; as, an accomplished fact; complete in details or features; as, so accomplished a desolation. *Burke.*

2. Complete in acquisitions as the result usually of training; as, an accomplished scholar; an accomplished villain; possessed of social accomplishments, as skill in music.

ac-com'pl-ish-er (-plish-ēr), *n.* One who accomplishes.

ac-com'pl-ish-ment (ä-küm'plish-mēt), *n.* [F. *accomplissement*, fr. *accomplir*.] 1. Act of accomplishing; entire performance; completion; fulfillment; as, the accomplishment of an enterprise, of a prophecy, etc.; also, *Now Rare*, the act of bringing to perfection or making accomplished; as, the accomplishment of the soul.

2. That which is accomplished, achieved, or effected.

3. That which completes, perfects, or equips thoroughly; acquirement; an element in excellence of mind, or elegance of manners, acquired by education or training.

My new accomplishment of dancing. *Churchill.*

Syn. — Deed, feat, proficiency. See ACQUIREMENT.

ac-cord' (ä-körd'), *v.* [ME. *acorden*, *acorden*, fr. OF. *acorder* (F. *accorder*), fr. LL. *accordāre*, fr. L. *ad* to + *cor*, *cordis*, heart. See HEART.] Transitive: 1. *Obs.* A to make (persons) agree; also, to reconcile (oneself). "When they were accorded from the fray." *Spenser.* **b** To find or acknowledge (oneself) in agreement; as, I accord me.

2. To bring into agreement; to reconcile; to settle, adjust, harmonize, or compose, as things; as, to accord suits or controversies. *Archais.*

3. To grant as suitable or proper; to concede; award; as, to accord due praise to one.

4. To sound or play in musical accord (with); to attune (to). *Obs.*

Intransitive: To agree or come to an agreement; also, to correspond; to be in harmony; — used without a preposition or followed by *with*; formerly also by *to*.

Proceed as we accorded before dinner. *Scott.*

My heart accorded with my tongue. *Shak.*

ac-com'mode', *v. i. & t.* [F. *acommoder*.] To accommodate. *Obs.*

ac-com'mode-ment, *n.* *Obs.*

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Syn. — Accede, harmonize. See CORRESPOND.

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A mediator of an accord and peace between them. *Bacon.*

2. An act of reconciliation; a reaching of agreement; specif., an informal political agreement between governments.

3. Agreement, harmony, or just correspondence of things; as, the accord of light and shade in painting.

4. Harmony of sounds; agreement in pitch or quality of tone; concord; as, the accord of tones. Specif., a chord.

5. Assent; permission. *Obs.*

6. Voluntary or spontaneous motion or impulse to act; preceded by *own*; as, to follow of one's own accord.

7. *Law.* An agreement between parties in controversy by which satisfaction for an injury is stipulated, and which, when executed, bars a suit.

— *with one accord.* With unanimity.

They rushed with one accord into the theater. *Acts* xix. 29.

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